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Microsoft has been found guilty on many charges, including using its monopoly power to thwart competition. The current proposed settlement does nothing to penalize Microsoft for breaking the law and nothing to remedy the loss caused to hundreds of companies and millions of customers. Furthermore, the limitations imposed on Microsoft's future business practices will do nothing to keep them from perpetuating their illegal monopoly and using it to squash whatever competition it wants. The proposed settlement perpetuates the status quo, which is that Microsoft gets to make all the decisions for the entire personal computer industry and is quickly moving to a position where it will be making those decisions for the Internet and for handheld computing devices, as well. This will not provide a healthy, competitive environment, and innovation will be stifled. Forward into the dark ages!